CHAPTER 97

RURAL WATER WELL GRANTS S.F. 215

AN ACT relating to agricultural management account moneys and county grants for private rural water well testing, sealing, and closure.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- Section 1. Section 455E.11, subsection 2, paragraph b, subparagraph (3), subparagraph subdivision (b), Code 1995, is amended by striking the subparagraph subdivision and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- (b) Two percent is appropriated annually to the department for the purpose of administering grants to counties and conducting oversight of county-based programs for the testing of private rural water supply wells, private rural water supply well sealing, and the proper closure of private rural abandoned wells and cisterns. Not more than thirty-five percent of the moneys is appropriated annually for grants to counties for the purpose of conducting programs of private rural water supply testing, private rural water supply well sealing, the proper closure of private rural abandoned wells and cisterns, or any combination thereof.

A county applying for grants under this subparagraph subdivision shall submit only one application. To be eligible for a grant, a county must have adopted standards for private water supply and private disposal facilities at least as stringent as the standards adopted by the commission. During each fiscal year, the amount granted each eligible applicant shall be the total funds available divided by the number of eligible counties applying. Upon receipt of the grant, the county may apply the funds to any one or more of the above three programs.

Not more than six percent of the moneys is appropriated annually to the state hygienic laboratory to assist in well testing. For purposes of this subparagraph subdivision, "cistern" means an artificial reservoir constructed underground for the purpose of storing rainwater.

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CHAPTER 98

STATE SEWAGE TREATMENT LOANS – REPAYMENT WITH PARK REVENUES S.F. 292

AN ACT relating to the powers and duties of the department of natural resources by authorizing the use of certain revenue to repay loans related to sewage collection and treatment plants in state parks and recreation areas.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- Section 1. Section 455B.291, subsection 4, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. "Municipality" means the <u>a</u> city, county, sanitary district, <u>state agency</u>, or other governmental body or corporation empowered to provide sewage collection and treatment services, or any combination of two or more of <u>such the</u> governmental bodies or corporations acting jointly, in connection with a project.
- Sec. 2. Section 456A.17, Code 1995, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph: